one of the very important component under the scheme. These children are provided with skills which are necessary for them to earn better livelihood later in their lives.

(b) and (c) As the State Governments are the appropriate Government for implementation of the Child Labour (Prohibition & Regulation) Act, 1986, in their respective areas, they have been advised to take all appropriate measures for the effective implementation of the recent ban. In this connection, the then Union Labour Minister had taken up with all the Chief Ministers for creating awareness generation and effective enforcement of the ban. Government of India also held consultations with the State Governments, NGOs, and other stake holders at Zonal level conferences held all over the country during the months of September and October, 2006. During these Zonal Conferences at Bangalore (Southern Zone), Guwahati (North East Zone), Ranchi (Eastern Zone), Amritsar^Northern Zone) and Goa (Western Zone), the State Governments discussed their action plans for effecting the ban and for the rehabilitation of these children. NGOs and other members of the civil society were also requested during the consultations for their suggestions as also to supplement the efforts of the Government in creating awareness generation, and providing rehabilitation in terms of food, clothing and shelter. The effectivenss of measures adopted by States was reviewed in January, 2007. Government has also formed a Core Group for convergence of Ministry of Labour and Employment with various other Ministries *viz.,* Ministry of Women and Child Development, Human Resource Development, Rural Development, Urban Housing and Poverty Alleviation and Social Justice and Empowerment for the rehabilitation of child labour and their families under the welfare schemes of these ministries also. Under the Scheme of National Child Labour Projects (NCLP) Rs. 108 crores were spent for the rehabilitation of child labour during the last financial year.

Strengthening SHGs

*595. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are strengthening Self Help Groups;

(b) if so, the comparative details thereof during the last three years;

(c) the role of public and Government in this regard, especially in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the present status of Self Help Groups, as on date, in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. The SHG members undergo capacity building training programmes to develop/strengthen their skill base. Elements of book keeping, Group management, Leadership development, keeping minutes of the meetings, product costing, skills in the identified key activity, etc. are imparted during these training programmes. An expenditure not exceeding Rs. 5000/- per trainee is incurred on such training. The Ministry of Rural Development is also of the view that federating the SHGs will strengthen them further. So, the Ministry has urged all the State Governments and U.T.s to commence the process of federating the SHGs from the village level upwards.

(b) The State-wise data pertaining to the number of SHG members trained and the expenditure incurred on their training, over the last three years is given in the enclosed Statement. (See below)

(c) The SGSY is implemented by the State Governments through the District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs). Support of the NGOs is sought by the DRDAs where necessary, especially at the stage of formation of the SHGs and their capacity building. The Government of Andhra Pradesh is implementing a SHG based poverty alleviation programme *viz.,* Indira Kranti Patham, (IKP) in all 22 rural districts of the State. For implementing the programme the State Government formed a society *viz.,* Society for the Elimination of Rural Poverty (SERP). The SERP is chaired by the Chief Minister Of Andhra Pradesh and has eminent members of the Society in its Governing Board.

(d)The present status of Self Help Groups, since inception *i.e.* 1-4-1999 to 31.3.2007 in the State of Andhra Pradesh is given below:—

	(Nos.)
Self-Help Groups (SHGs) formed	478891
No. of SHGs passed Grade-I	441253
No. of SHGs passed grade-ll	337548
SHGs that have taken up Economic Activities	107812
Total Swarozgaris assisted	1333855
Total Credit disbursed (Rs. in crore)	1120.97
Total subsidy disbursed (Rs. in crore)	396.23

Statement

Expenditure on training and total Swarozgans trained under the SGSY from the year 2004-2005 to 2006-07

(Rs in lacs)

SI. No	State/UT Name	20010%				2005-06			
		No of Members of SHGs Trained	No of Individual Swarozgaris Trained	\Total No of Swarozgans Trained (3+4)	Expenditure on Training	No. of Members of SHGs Trained	No of Swarozgaris Trained	Individual Total No of Swarozgaris Trained (7+8)	Expenditure on Training
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Andhra Pradesh	71007	18744	89751	473.88	122807	9655	132462	693 44
2	Arunachal Pradesh	465	734	1199	8.86	912	1125	2037	12.48
3	Assam	240509	435	240944	600.38	144288	251	144539	681 77
4	Bihar	61507	32233	93740	540.59	79672	27109	106781	850 17
5	Chhattisgarh	51949	12860	64809	212.48	46207	9317	55524	200 13
6	Goa	672	0	672	4.71	1300	0	1300	0 49
7	Gujarat	20447	13120	33567	193.58	14078	6037	20115	123.92
8	Haryana	20811	2091	22902	61.40	25458	1226	26684	123.74
9	Himachal Pradesh	12068	2609	14677	11.73	12274	2911	15185	1888
10	Jammu & Kashmir	4698	3209	7907	41.51	5059	2637	7696	31.16
11	Jharkhand	25947	14061	40008	216.88	36227	14414	50641	237.18
12	Karnataka	68954	, 4502	73456	199.11	52503	3080	55583	619 03
13	Kerala	25558	3039	28597	85.51	31551	4312	35863	168.32
14	Madhya Pradesh	92093	5808	97901	443.89	131050	9189	140239	616 82
15	Maharashtra	172621	11361	183982	500.03	135917	9488	145405	564 63
16	Manipur	0	0	0		5998	0	5998	4.19
17	Meghalaya	4007	604	4611	22.01	6464	106	6570	36.02

18	Mizoram	4352	278	4630	19.43	2049	224	2273	15.58
19	Nagaland	2652	1290	3942	27.46	5222	988	6210	33 49
20	Orissa	70821	4360	75181	257 22	75601	7912	83513	296 96
21	Punjab	2333	2335	4668	13.59	1934	1417	3351	1260
22	Rajasthan	13589	20559	34148	182.62	13323	20074	33397	260 12
23	Sikkim	832	642	1474	30.72	479	483	962	30.39
24	Tamil Nadu	99704	2312	102016	633.19	94944	1647	96591	'57855
25	Tripura	46718	2286	49004	55.94	74825	0	74825	70 84
26	Uttar Pradesh	372352	11609	383961	1574.61	173768	2613	17638-1	781.62
27	Uttaranchal	13593	146	13739	15.94	12388	105	12493	80.51
28	West Bengal	295959	1521	297480	1184.59	386741	0	386741	130597
29	A & N Islands	31	0	31	0.06	0	0	0	
30	Daman & Diu	0	0	0		0	0	0	
31	D & N Haveli	0	0	0		0	0	0	
32	Lakshadweep	0	0	0		20	0	20	0.60
33	Pondicherry	180	0	180	8.18	759	0	759	2.04
	TOTAL:	1796429	172748	1969177	7612.08	1693818	136320	1830138	8461.64

Expenditure on training and total Swarozgaris trained under the SGSY from the year 2004-2005 to 2006-07

(Rs. in lacs)

SI No	State/UT Name	2006-07				Total			
		No of Members of SHGs Trained	No of Individual Swarozgaris Trained	Total No of Swarozgaris Trained (11 + 12)	Expenditure on Training i	No of Members of SHGs Trained ;3 + 7+ 11)	No. of individuals Swarozgaris Trained (4 + 8 + 12)	Total No. of Swarozgaris Training (5 + 9+ 13)	Expenditure on (6 + 10+ 14)
1	2	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	Andhra Pradesh	306752	14784	321536	999 90	500566	43183	543749	2167
2	Arunachal Pradesh	355	542	897	5.56	1732	2401	4133	27
3	Assam	152355	831	153186	810.71	537152	1517	538669	2093
4	Bihar	78618	13973	92591	938 40	219797	73315	293112	2329
5	Chhattisgarh	44634	7560	52194	170.83	142790	29737	172527	583'
6	Goa	1532	0	15.32	469	3504	0	3504	10
7	Gujarat	12856	11788	24644	212 12	47381	30945	78326	530
8	Haryana	15254	630	15884	100.46	61523	3947	65470	286
9	Himachal Pradesh	20956	6839	27795	27 85	45298	12359	57657	58
10	Jammu & Kashmir	4440	2600	7040	50 17	14197	8446	22643	123
11	Jharkhand	29559	8563	38122	261 39	91733	37038	128771	715
12	Karnataka	47106	3490	50596	810.89	168563	11072	179635	1629
13	Kerala	33982	3577	37559	181.38	91091	10928	102019	435
14	Madhya Pradesh	170056	11802	181858	711 61	393199	26799	419998	1772
15	Maharashtra	120019	5211	125230	65392	428557	26060	454617	1719
16	Manipur	4985	131	5116	961	10983	131	11114	14
17	Meghalaya	7382	19	7401	21 42	17853	729	18582	79

18	Mizoram	5207	105	5312	14.26	11608	607	12215	49
19	Nagaland	3267	484	3751	12.48	11141	2762	13903	73
20	Orissa	70299	5332	75631	419.04	216721	17604.	234325	973
21	Punjab	4030	2558	6588	1599	8297	6310	14607	42
22	Rajasthan	25193	15585	40778	307.83	52105	56218	108323	751
23	Sikkim	3843	461	4304	23.25	5154	1586	6740	84
24	Tamil Nadu	145212	223	145435	624.66	339860	4182	344042	1836
25	Tripura	40148	0	40148	79.90	161691	2286	163977	207
26	Uttar Pradesh	160992	9516	170508	862.01	707112	23738	730850	3218
27	Uttaranchal	6137	23	6160	72 84	32118	274	32392	169
28	West Bengal	331509	14990	346499	1260.19	1014209	16511	1030720	3751
29	A & N Islands	185	30	215		216	30	246	0
30	Daman & Diu	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
31	D&NHaveli	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
32	Lakshadweep	20	0	20	0.62	40	0	40	1
33	Pondicherry	1678	0	1678	2.96	2617	0	2617	5
	TOTAL :	1848561	141647	1990208	9666.93	5338808	450715	5789523	25730.65